

Docket No.: 050006-0187

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Application of

Hisao TAKEUCHI, et al.

Application No.: 10/775,120

Filed: February 11, 2004

For: DYNAMIC PRESSURE BEARING WITH IMPROVED STARTING CHARACTERISTICS
(AS AMENDED)

: Customer Number: 20277
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: Confirmation Number: 1251
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: Group Art Unit: 3682
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: Examiner: Lenard A. Footland
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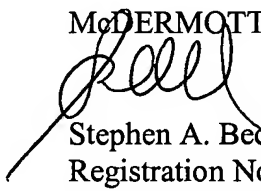
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Sir:

The above-identified application was filed on February 11, 2004. Since more than one and one-half years have elapsed since that date, and no action has been received by attorney for applicant, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be informed of the status of the referenced application. It is noted that the Official Gazette indicates applications filed on or before May 26, 2004 in the above-assigned Group Art Unit should have received an action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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